## JUDGE'S EXPLANATION OF RIGHTS TO DEFENDANTS WITHOUT AN ATTORNEY

As a defendant in a criminal case, you have three options:

- o You may hire an attorney;
- <sup>o</sup> You may request an attorney be appointed to represent you, if you are financially unable to hire one; or
- o You may represent yourself.

If you want an attorney-to represent you and are financially able to hire an attorney, I will reset this case for approximately 30 days for you to do-so.

If you want an attorney and do not have the money to hire one, you will need to fill out a financial questionnaire to see if you qualify for a court-appointed attorney. • .

You <u>may not speak</u> to one of the prosecutors about your case unless you decide to waive your right to an attorney.

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DEFENDANT'S CHOICE

I want to reset this case and hire my own attorney.

I want to apply for a court-appointed attorney.

I want to waive my right to an attorney and represent myself.

Signature:

Name (Print):

Date:

Cause #: